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TRANSPEDICULAR INTERVERTEBRAL DISK ACCESS METHODS AND DEVICES		
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AMENDMENT UNDER ARTICLE 34

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Dear Sir:

The Applicant hereby requests that the International Preliminary Examining Authority amend the above-identified PCT application as follows:

IN THE DESCRIPTION:

Please replace originally filed pages 15 and 46 with Replacement pages 15 and 46.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please replace the originally filed figure sheets 18-20 containing Figures 31, 32 and 33 with the attached Replacement sheets 18-20 containing Figures 31-33.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace originally filed page 51 with Replacement page 51.

REMARKS

The description has been amended to replace "Figure 55" with Figure "54" in two places, on page 15, line 27, and on page 46, line 2, and to remove the third reference to Figure 55 on page 46, line 30. Figures 31-33 have been replaced with new Figures 31-33 to correct the figure numbering, where originally filed Figure 33 is now Figure 31, originally filed Figure 31 is now Figure 32, and originally filed Figure 32 is now Figure 33. Claim 25 has been amended to make it dependent on claim 23 rather than on claim 16, on page 51, line